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PLS PASS TO WHITE HOUSE AND FRIENDSHIP FORCE COMMITTEE,
ATLANTA,GA

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SUBJECT: FRIENDSHIP FORCE - VISIT OF PRESIDENT'S MOTHER-
IN-LAW

TO ASSURE MRS. SMITH MAXIMUM FREEDOM OF ACTION AND FULL
ENJOYMENT OF HER VISIT COMPATIBLE WITH ADEQUATE PERSONAL
SECURITY, I SUGGESTED AND THE GENOA FRIENDSHIP FORCE (FF)
COMMITTEE CONCURS, THE FOLLOWING ARRANGEMENTS FOR HER AND
MRS. PETERS:

1. MAY 2. OVERNIGHT STAY ON ARRIVAL DAY AT MY RESIDENCE
TO GIVE HER TIME TO OVERCOME JET LAG.

2. MAY 3,4,5,6. AT PORTOFINO RESIDENCE OF
DR. AND MRS. RICCARDO GARRONE. DR. GARRONE IS PRESIDENT
OF THE ERG OIL CO., ONE OF WESTERN EUROPE'S LARGEST
INDEPENDENT OIL FIRMS. THE GARRONES ARE A CHARMING
COUPLE, VERY ACTIVE IN CIVIC AND SOCIAL ACTIVITIES IN THE
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GENOA AREA. THEY HAVE SIX CHILDREN AGED 5 TO 17 (NOT ALL
THE CHILDREN WILL BE AT PORTOFINO AT THE TIME OF
MRS. SMITH'S STAY). THEY BOTH SPEAK ENGLISH. THEIR VILLA
IS BUILT ON A LEDGE ON THE SOUTHERN CLIFFS MARKING THE ENTRANCE
TO PORTOFINO HARBOR. THE LOCATION AFFORDS EXCELLENT SECURITY
TOGETHER WITH A SPLENDID VIEW OF THE LEDGENDARY TOWN AND
PORT. PORTOFINO IS ONLY A SHORT DRIVE FROM GENOA. MRS. SMITH

WILL BE ABLE TO ATTEND, THEREFORE, GROUP FUNCTIONS
SPONSORED BY THE GENOA FF COMMITTEE WITHOUT MUCH DIFFICULTY
OR HARDSHIP.

3. MAY 7,8,9,10. AT GENOA RESIDENCE OF ENNEGNER AND
MRS. AMBROGIO PURI. ING. PURI IS THE PRESIDENT OF ITALSIDER
(ITALY'S STATE - OWNED STEEL GIANT), REPUBLICAN PARTY COUNCIL-
MAN OF THE CITY OF GENOA, AND ALSO CONSUL GENERAL'S LANDLORD.
THE PURIS HAVE FOUR CHILDREN (1 BOY AND THREE GIRLS) IN
THEIR LATE TEENS AND EARLY TWENTIES. THEY BOTH SPEAK AND
UNDERSTAND SOME ENGLISH. THEIR VILLA IS LOCATED ON THE SAME
WALLED GROUNDS AS THE CONSUL GENERAL'S RESIDENCE. IT
ASSURES EXCELLENT SECURITY AND A MAGNIFICENT VIEW OF THE PORT
AND CITY OF GENOA.

4. MAY 11. AFTERNOON DEPARTURE FOR RICHMOND.

5. AS MRS. SMITH REQUESTED, FF COMMITTEE WILL MAKE
EVERY EFFORT TO PLACE HER OTHER TWO FRIENDS (MRS. SAUER
AND MRS. BEARDEN) WITH FAMILIES IN RESIDENCES NEAR THOSE
WHERE SHE AND MRS. PETERS WILL BE STAYING.

6. AMBASSADOR AND MRS. GARDNER WILL BE MAKING A BRIEF
OFFICIAL VISIT TO GENOA MAY 8-9. I WILL BE DELIGHTED TO
INCLUDE MRS. SMITH AND HER FRIENDS IN ALL APPROPRIATE SOCIAL
FUNCTIONS CONNECTED WITH THE AMBASSADOR'S VISIT.
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7. ACTION REQUESTED. PLEASE ADVISE:

A) IF PROPOSED PROGRAM IS ACCEPTABLE TO MRS. SMITH, TO WHITE
HOUSE AND TO THE ATLANTA FRIENDSHIP FORCE COMMITTEE;

B) IF MRS. SMITH AND HER FRIENDS WISH TO PARTICIPATE IN
SOCIAL FUNCTIONS CONNECTED WITH AMBASSADOR GARDNER'S VISIT.
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